1	2	3	4
	(7.21%)	(1.13%)	(1.9%)
Pvt. Company	33,284	38,153	71,437
	(2.42%)	(0.42%)	(0.68%)
Cooperatives	4,715	9,854	14,569
	(0.34%)	(0.11%)	(0.14%)
Others	16,083	1,31,999	1,48,082
	(1.17%)	(1.44%)	(1.41%)
11. No. of units having outstanding loan as on 31-3-2002	2,76,333 (20.1%)	5,01,306 (5.48%)	7,77,639 (7.39%)
12. Total employment	61,63,479	1,87,69,284	2,49,32,763
13. Per unit employment	4.48	2.05	2.37
14. Total original value of Plant & Machinery (in Rs. lakh)	30,32,868	24,56,492	54,89,360
15. Per unit original value of Plant & Machinery (in Rs. lakh)	2.21	0.27	0.52
16. Total fixed investment (in Rs. lakh)	91,79,207	62,55,660	1,54,34,867
17. Per unit fixed investment (in Rs. lakh)	6.68	0.68	1.47
18. Total Gross Output (in Rs. lakh)	2,03,25,462	79,01,536	2,82,26,998
19. Per unit Gross Output (in Rs. lakh)	14.78	0.86	2.68
20. No. of exporting units	7,344	43,262	50,606
21. Value of exports (in Rs. lakh)	12,30,826	1,89,130	14,19,956
22 Employment per Rs. one lakh investment	0.67	3.00	1.62
23. No. of products/services as per ASICC produced/rendered in SSI sector	5 983	2,680	6,003
24. No. of reserved products (as per the reserve list effective on 31.3.2001) produced in SSI sector	877	382	878

Effect of WTO and VAT on SSIs

†4630. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that consequent upon Government's membership in WTO and implementation of patent and present VAT

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

system, Small and Cottage industries including many tiny units of production in the country would be adversely affected and endanger their existence; and

(b) if so, the details of the efforts being made by Government to save small scale industries and maintain their profitability?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) India's membership of the World Trade Organisation (WTO), amendments to the Patents Act, 1970 and implementation of the Value Added Tax (VAT) system are not likely to affect the interests of small and cottage industries adversely. In respect of imports, the Government has put in place appropriate trade-defence mechanisms, such as import licensing, safeguards against surge in imports and anti-dumping measures, to provide protection to the domestic industries, including small and cottage industries. In addition, steps have been taken by the Government to prepare the small scale industries (SSI) sector to meet the challenges of liberalization/globalization which, *inter-alia,* include assistance for technology/upgradation, common infrastructure development and marketing through schemes of cluster development, facilitating availability of institutional credit, assistance for adoption of modern management practices, use of information technology, etc.

SSIs in Tamil Nadu

4631. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any special package for Tamil Nadu has been provided in the Tenth Five Year Plan to strengthen Small Scale Industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The development of small scale industries is primarily the responsibility of the respective State/Union Territory (UT) Governments/ Administrations. The Central Government, however, supports and